

SQUIBS FROM THE WATER FRONT

CREW OF THE NATALE II. HAVE SHARED \$389 IN THE MACKEREL GAME.

'Twas a heavy dismal hand that the elements laid down upon the water this morning, hiding the landscape with that thick gloomy fog, which happily lifted with the rising of the sun.

Capt. Clayton Morrissey, the skipper of several famous vessels in his lengthy career, has a new small boat, which was built for him at Rockport. The good ship "Nimbus" is named after the first craft his father owned years ago. "Clay" is planning on leaving for the coast of Maine, and had with him mackerel nets so as to be ready as soon as the schools reach there.

Interesting figures of the past are those which show the mackerel catch in other years, such as that of 1902 when 29,057 barrels were caught, while in 1898, only 1162 barrels were taken.

It was not until May 8 when the first local mackerel netter reported with fish a quarter of a century ago, and then it was Capt. Frank Nolan in sch. Actor, who arrived at Fulton market, New York, with 160 bloater mackerel. The first netters to strike the fish this year were the Huntington Sanford and the Shirley M. Clattenberg who contracted April 11, even before the seiners.

To recall other days in the mackerel fisheries, Squibs is reading where a quarter of a century ago, May 6, the schooner Ingomar, Capt. Wallace Parsons, counted out 37,873 fresh mackerel at New York, and realized a stock of \$5992.12 for that one trip alone. Large fish brought 30 cents each, medium 15 cents, small 10 cents. What a stock! Even the high ones this year will do well to approach that figure for the whole season's work. Capt. Parsons is still seining, his boat now being sch. Desire, a netter.

Sch. Hesperus sailed halibuting yesterday with Capt. Robertson "Strings" Giffen at the wheel, bound for Georges. May his luck increase.

The Sebastiana C., Capt. "Charlie" Nelson, rounded E. astern Point at midnight last night bound for New York to join two other members of the Chianciola fleet, the Serafina N., and the Alicia, which arrived in Brooklyn, N. Y., last night, to commence seining for mackerel again.

Skipper "Lem" Firth is home in the Three Sisters, coming down from Boston, where he sold his mackerel. Thus far this season each of his crew is entitled to \$112 with a few other trips which have not been settled as yet.

Scheduled to leave this afternoon, right after dinner, are the seiners Three Sisters, Orion, Superior and Leretha, who will fish off New York, seining mackerel.

The Natale II, Capt. Tony Linquata, must have connected heavily at the market for they have realized \$389 per man since they have been mackerel seining this season. The boat is in New York, and the crew which called on their people here over the week-end, will leave for the metropolis tomorrow to resume fishing.

The mackerel seiner Nova Julia, Capt. Leo Favallora, is bound to New York this morning after a short stay here. The crew have shared \$100 so far this seine season.

What a difference a few buckets of paint make to a boat! When sch. Gertrude L. Thebaud returned from her triumphant Washington trip she looked as if she had had a gruelling session on the wintry banks, but during the past week, Capt. "Ben" Pine has had the painters brushing her up, and her pilot house and aft portions of the deck are as white as the driven snow, while her spars are slushed and ready to take the sail for another haddocking trip with skipper Jimmy Abbott at the helm.

The crew of the mackerel seiner Leretha which arrived from the south Friday, shared \$87 each, and Capt. John Morash and his men will return to the grounds sometime this week. The Orion which is tied alongside the Leretha at the Independent Fisheries dock did not fare so well, and the members of her crew just about broke even, so they tell Squibs.

As for nicknames by which some of the fishermen were known and in fact are still known by all along the waterfront, there is Jim the Bishop, Navy Dan, Diabetes, Whiskers Otto, and Fishing Machine. Some of them are laid to rest; all have done their share in building the fishing industry which may be having a temporary setback these days, but will come back to its old position of glory when the world "goes normal" again.

The United States Coast Guard cutter Ossipee, dropped anchor in the harbor Saturday evening at 6 o'clock, and disembarked over 70 members of Base Seven, who have been holding target practice at the Curtis Guild Rifle range at Wakefield for the past week in company with a large detachment of coast-guardsmen from other coast guard bases. Another group will leave here next Sunday to take their turn at the range. Gunner Lawrence J. Shea of Base Seven, was in command of the local detail. The Ossipee left immediately afterward for her home port at Portland, Maine.

The Coast Guard destroyer Wellborn C. Wood, Lieut. Robert E. Hunter, commanding, dropped anchor in the outer harbor Sunday and remained through the day, leaving port this morning.

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Venosta at Halifax, N. S.

National Fish trawler Venosta, arrived Friday from the banks with a good fare of fish.

To Take Cargo of Salt.

Sch. A. C. Newhall, Capt. Thomas Poirier, has sailed from West Arichat, N. S., has sailed for Sydney where she will take a cargo of salt for Petit de Grat.

Landed Freight.

Sch. Ella Pearl, Capt. C. P. Bourgois, was in port at West Arichat, N. S., last week, and landed freight

BLUENOSE LIKE MODERN MUSEUM

Hundreds of Haligonians visited the Bluenose at the Ocean Terminals jetty, Halifax, and were amazed at the transformation effected in the vessel's interior, says the Halifax Herald. In place of the big hold there are cabins on the port side and exhibit booths on the starboard, with broad passageway between.

Among the exhibits are some fine ship models by Solomon Morash, aged 88, and by C. A. Zinck, both of Lunenburg. There are six models of the Bluenose, including one nearly six feet long, and there are fine models of full-rigged ships, including one encased in glass of Donald Mackay's famous Flying Cloud, a romantic clipper. An old-timer, with bluff bows and high poop, and a handsome white barquentine of the early 19th century, with painted gunports, complete the picture.

Shown on Banks.

Alongside the models is a miniature representation in a large tank of water of the Bluenose at anchor under riding sail on the banks, her crew engaged in setting trawl from dories landing fish on the decks. The surface of the "sea" is dotted with the little tin dories, manned by tiny fishermen, and here and there are large fish, a whale, a shark and a swordfish. The fish lend color to the scene and the whole is a practical illustration, better than words of the way the Lunenburg fishermen go about gathering their harvest from the sea. The miniature is a real credit to the artists who made it.

Framed pictures of the Bluenose adorn the walls of the main passageway and other souvenirs of the Bluenose are on sale at a counter.

Vessel Is Show-Boat.

The interior lay-out of the Bluenose has been so arranged that one can enter through the after companionway and walk right forward into the fore-castle. Bluenose, inside, is no longer a fisherman. There is not even any smell of fish. The famous vessel is a show-boat.

On deck and aloft there is little change. She looks particularly spic and span. In her rigging are dinky white life-preservers, giving her a yacht-like appearance. Her halliards are all new and her spars glisten with varnish. Her crew, in semi-naval uniform, maple-leaves replacing the regulation crest, add the finishing touch to the transformation.

Wearing of uniform by members of the Bluenose crew is a provision imposed by the Exposition authorities.

The Bluenose was expected to get away Saturday morning on her long voyage to Chicago where she will be one of the chief attractions at the World's Fair.

Big Lobster Cargo.

With the largest lot of live lobsters this year in a single consignment by smack, the gasoline boat Dominion Halsyd arrived at pier 4, South Boston, yesterday, three days from Isaacs Harbor, N. S. She brought 526 crates, consigned to Boston dealers.

General Greene Sails.

United States cutter General Greene, which has been in port at Halifax, N. S., for the past week, sailed Friday on ice patrol duty.

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NETTERS AT NEW YORK MARKET WITH MACKEREL

The mackerel netters are reporting at last in large numbers with 11 of them in Fulton Market, New York, this morning, with a total of 39,400 pounds.

The market price is said to have opened at 10 cents per pound. Skipper "Tom" Marr in the Mary M., led the list with a catch reported as being 15,000 pounds, while Capt. "Pat" Murphy was second with 5000 pounds. Yesterday morning the netter Albert D. Willard was also reported in New York with 15,000 when Capt. Lee Cavanaugh was all alone, except for one seiner, the Alice and Mildred, which came in Sunday with an equal amount.

Local Netters.

The Gloucester netters reporting

today are as follows:

Mary M., 15,000 lbs.
Funchal, 5000 lbs.
Mary D'Eon, 3000 lbs.
Louis A. Thebaud, 3000 lbs.
John A. Cooney, 3000 lbs.
Desire, 2000 lbs.
Huntington Sanford, 2000 lbs.
Restless, 2000 lbs.
Emma Marie, 1500 lbs.
Aeolus, 1500 lbs.
Shirley M. Clattenberg, 1400 lbs.

Other Netters.

Craft, 6000 lbs.
Malvina B., 2000 lbs.
Bethlehem, New Bedford, 2000 lbs.
Shannon, Portland, Me., 900 lbs.
Joseph E. Warner, 700 lbs.

BOSTON SUPPLY IS HEAVY TODAY

TOTAL OVER 700,000 POUNDS—SLIGHT IMPROVEMENT IN THE MARKET.

A fleet of 24 new arrivals was on hand at the Boston fish pier this morning in addition to several that held over from yesterday. Total receipts today were 465,000 pounds of groundfish and 275,000 pounds of mixed fish in addition to a sturgeon and 40 barrels of scup, the latter probably going to the freezer. There were no mackerel. Prices were slightly higher on nearly all varieties.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:
Str. Brookline, 46,000 haddock, 42,000 cod, 42,000 mixed fish.
Str. Quincy, 43,000 haddock, 65,000 cod, 41,000 mixed fish.
Str. Ocean, 60,000 haddock, 31,000 cod, 43,000 mixed fish.
Vagabond, 30,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 1 sturgeon, 19,000 mixed fish.
Mao IV., 10,000 haddock, 1500 cod, 22,000 mixed fish.
Gertrude M. Fauci, 33,000 haddock, 13,000 cod, 28,000 mixed fish.
Alpar, 13,000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 4000 mixed fish.
Raymonde, 20,000 haddock, 32,000 cod, 9000 mixed fish.
Angie and Florence, 40 bbls. scup.
Mao II., 7000 mixed fish.
Sebastiano and Figli, 8000 mixed fish.
Alphonso, 8900 mixed fish.
Frances, 8800 mixed fish.
Fred Henry, 4300 mixed fish.
Annie, 4300 mixed fish.
Sarah, 1800 mixed fish.
Fiore and Marino, 5900 mixed fish.
Virginia and Mary, 6000 mixed fish.
Nova Antonio, 3200 mixed fish.
Lillian, 6200 mixed fish.
St. Mary, 1200 mixed fish.
Josephine, 1500 mixed fish.
St. Providence, 1700 mixed fish.
St. Theresa, 2000 mixed fish.
Haddock, \$2 to \$2.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$2; market cod, \$1.25 to \$2; hake, \$2 to \$2.80; pollock, 50 cents; eusk, \$1 to \$1.50; gray sole, 1 to 2 cents per lb.; lemon sole, 2 cents; black backs, 2 cents; yellow tails, 1 cent; catfish, 1.15 cents.

LOCAL RECEIPTS 63,000 POUNDS

LITTLE TRAWLERS STILL GETTING THE FISH—SEINERS RETURN TO GROUNDS.

Local fresh fish arrivals fell to 63,000 pounds of cod and haddock since yesterday with 13 gill netters landing 28,800 pounds, and 12 trawlers getting 21,500 pounds, while 13,000 pounds of cod were brought overland from Boston for splitting at the Pew branch of Gorton-Pew Fisheries. Several of the mackerel seiners left for the South today after taking a few days' vacation in port.

Gloucester Arrivals and Receipts

The arrivals and fares in detail:
Overland, 13,000 lbs. cod.
Plymouth Rock, trawling, 5000 lbs. cod.
Cora Jane, trawling, 1500 lbs. cod.
Florence and John, trawling, 1500 lbs. cod.
Sally Joseph, trawling, 1000 lbs. cod.
Lady of the Rosary, trawling, 2000 lbs. cod.
Minerva, trawling 4000 lbs. cod.
White Star, trawling, 1000 lbs. cod.
Helen L. trawling, 1500 lbs. cod.
Ardella, trawling, 900 lbs. haddock.
C6696, trawling, 1400 lbs. haddock.
Ripple, trawling, 1000 lbs. cod.
Nephthys, trawling, 700 lbs. haddock.
Hope Leslie, dragging.
Nova Julia, via Boston.
Three Sisters, via Boston.
Yesterday's Gill Net Receipts
Elizabeth and James, 3500 lbs. haddock.
Virginia and Joan, 3500 lbs. cod.
Edna Fae, 3000 lbs. cod.
Enterprise, 2500 lbs. cod.
Phyllis A., 2500 lbs. cod.
Mary A., 2500 lbs. cod.
Lucretia, 2000 lbs. cod.
C. A. Meister, 2000 lbs. cod.
Eliza C. Riggs, 1800 lbs. cod.
Nashawena, 1500 lbs. cod.
Liboria C., 1500 lbs. cod.
Naomi Bruce II., 1500 lbs. cod.
Myrtle and Gladys, 1000 lbs. cod.

On the Ways.

The Uncle Sam is on Parkhurst's marine railways to repair a leak. Yacht Teragram and the seiner Salvatore and Rosalie are on Rocky Neck railways for painting.

RECEIPTS NEARLY MILLION AND QUARTER POUNDS

SEINERS LANDED MOST OF MACKEREL CAUGHT LAST WEEK.

The mackerel fleet landed last week at all ports 1,217,000 pounds of fresh mackerel, large and small, mostly seine fish. They were caught off Cape May and sold from 3 to 8 cents per pound for large and 2.75 to 5 cents for small. A number of the seiners have returned home.

In the corresponding week last year the mackerel fleet landed 1,569,500 pounds of mostly large and medium fish, weighing two to three pounds each, caught largely 30 miles southeast of New York. They sold from 1.75 to 5.50 cents for small and 1.75 to 13 cents for large.

Ahead of Last Year.

The total catch of mackerel to the end of last week by the southern fleet has been 2,533,700 pounds as compared with 2,201,000 pounds in 1932; 2,873,150 pounds in 1931; 4,011,045 pounds in 1930; and 2,503,200 pounds in 1929.

The traps are in readiness on the south side of Cape Cod, but they have not taken any mackerel to date.

Mackerel in cold storage in the United States on April 15, 1933, amounted to 4,129,996 pounds as compared with 1,991,957 pounds on the corresponding date in 1932.

Portland, Me., News.

Sch. Eleanor, Capt. Tom Brigham, was high-liner of the local fishing fleet Monday, landing 15,000 pounds of groundfish. The other vessels and their fares were: Onward, 7000 pounds and Elizabeth B. and Richard J., 3000 pounds each.

The Rockland, Me., lobster smack Edna L., arrived at Portland, Monday from Clark's Harbor, N. S., with 14,000 pounds of live lobsters for the N. F. Trefethen Company at Custom House Wharf. Capt. P. M. Look started the smack and ran through fine weather until 10 p. m., he said, when a squall struck the 47-foot vessel and kicked up the roughest seas he has ever encountered in the smack.

Lobster Notes.

The fishermen of West Arichat, N. S., are now busy setting their lobster traps. More than 1200 traps were set the first morning. The lobster factory is being operated this year by Mr. Luce.

The lobster fishermen at Charles Cove, N. S., have suffered considerable loss during the recent gales which swept the coast. Some men have lost as many as 20 traps each and the fishermen have little gear. The price is low and the lobsters are very scarce.

Picks Up Dory.

The coast guard headquarters at Boston was advised yesterday by radio that the beam trawler Winthrop of Boston had picked up a dory, bottom-side up, on Sunday, in latitude 43.02 north, longitude 67.02 west, on the northerly edge of Georges, about 150 miles eastward of Highland Light. The dory was painted yellow and had the letter "M" painted on the bow.

Sailed

Sebastiana C., seining.
Nova Julia, seining.
Hesperus, halibuting.
Orion, seining.
Leretha, seining.
Superior, seining.
Three Sisters, seining.
Naomi Bruce III, seining.